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Utah postmasters elect officers during 53rd annual convention

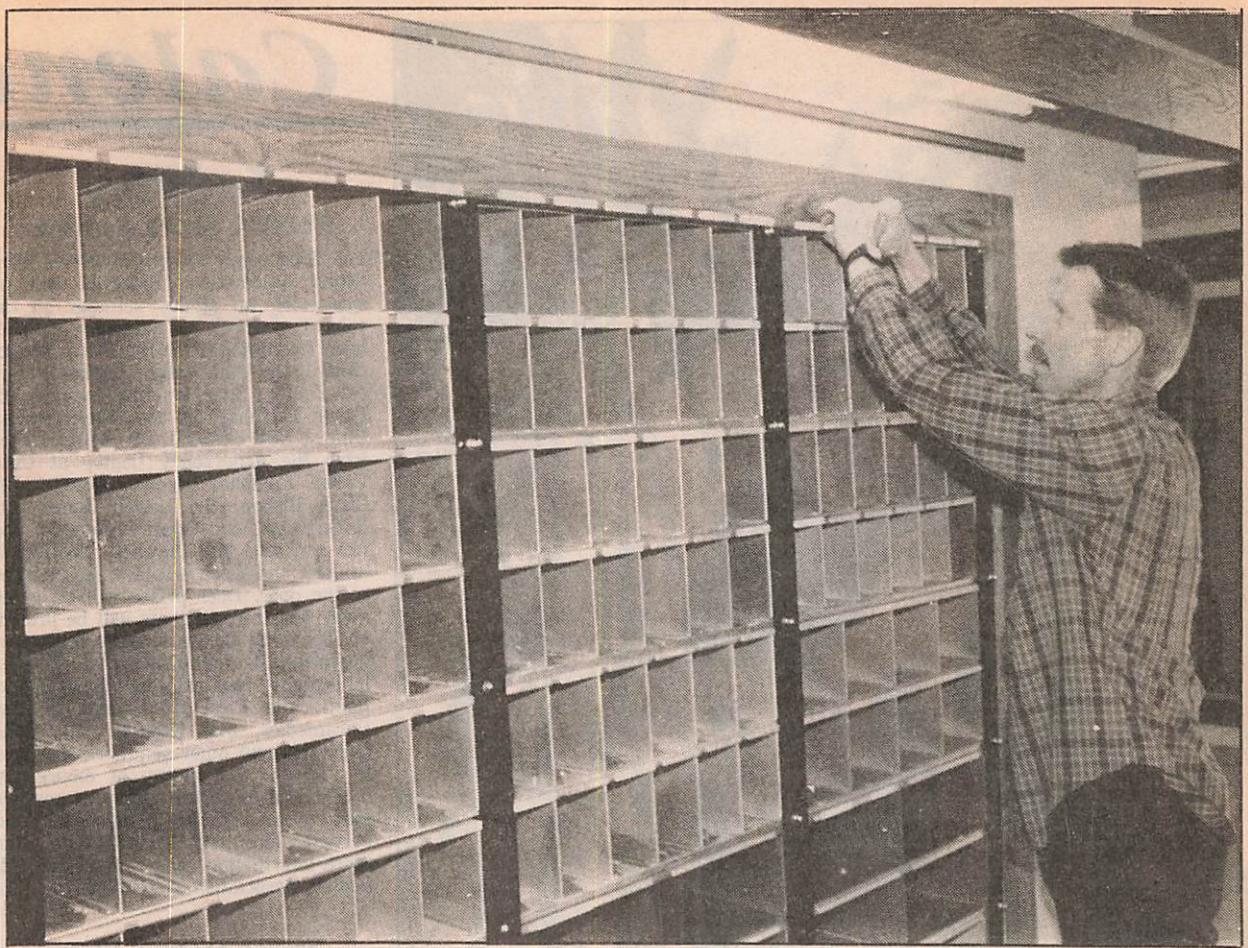
GARDEN CITY, Rich County — G. Sherm Larson, Brigham City, is the president-elect of the Utah Chapter of the National Association of Postmasters of the United States.

Larson succeeds Reed Hill, Roy.

Also elected during the 53rd annual convention were: Merlin Wright, Spanish Fork, vice president; and directors Phyllis Bair, Lewiston; Kathy McSparren, Hooper; Clark Roberts, Myton; Arloene Gieber, Wendover; Sharon Rasmussen, Elmo; Vaughn Mankin, Oak City; and Ellen Clark, Newcastle.

Barbara Clark is secretary-treasurer in the second year of her two-year appointment. Mankin also serves as editor, an appointed office.

Kay Probst, Midway, was named "Postmaster of the Year" and was awarded the David R. Trevithick Memorial Award, named for the former Salt Lake City postmaster who is the only Utahn to serve as national NAPUS president.



John Best Photo

Postal worker Dennis Purdy puts labels on post office boxes at the new building.

New post office opening for business on Tuesday

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PLEASANT GROVE — A new post office facility has been completed in Pleasant Grove and will open for business Tuesday.

Pleasant Grove's population has doubled in the past decade. Rapid growth has stressed the 25-year-old Pleasant Grove Post Office making the new facility a necessity. The post office is conveniently located in the downtown business area at 180 S. 100 W.

Pleasant Grove postal worker Steven Robinson says, "The old post office was too small and had poor parking and there were no drive up facilities."

The new 12,000 square foot office was completed at a cost \$1.1 million. It offers

ample convenient parking, a drive through drop off and more inside service opportunities. There are 528 post office boxes and 26 parcel boxes. The parcel boxes are for large packages delivered to post box patrons.

The same staff of 15 full time and eight part-time employees will operate the office. The lobby will be open for postal drop off 24 hours a day and will include self-serve stamp vending. Office hours for the new facility will be Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m. and Saturday, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

The new facility has ample room for future growth. It was also constructed for easy additions to the structure if future growth requires more space.

The employees of Pleasant

Grove Post Office deliver approximately 24,500 pieces of mail to more than 5,200 homes and businesses each day. They serve six city routes and three rural routes in Pleasant Grove, Lindon, and Cedar Hills. They drive 266 miles every day on their delivery routes. Annually 7,423,500 pieces of mail are delivered across their 80,598 miles of routes.

Robinson says, "We won't even skip a beat in mail service when we change to the new building. We will start moving when we close Saturday and continue through Monday. The office will be closed Monday for the national Martin Luther King Day. On Tuesday morning the new office will open and all services will be located there. The old post office will be closed."



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Neither rain, nor snow . . .

Letter carrier Roger Hornsby has to stretch over one of the many wide snowbanks lining streets along the Wasatch Front after last weekend's deluge of snow. But capricious Mother Nature apparently is still capable of the occasional kindness. Noting that northern Utah is still digging out from her last storm, she is sending most of this

weekend's storm to the southern part of the state, dropping only 1 or 2 inches on the besieged north. The heart of the storm will pass over southern Utah and northern Arizona, said David Carpenter, lead forecaster for the Salt Lake office of the National Weather Service. "Don't expect to see much snow in the Salt Lake Valley or

northwest valleys until early Sunday morning. Even then, it should be light amounts — 1 or 2 inches." The highs over the holiday weekend will be in the low 30s, he said. Low temperatures Saturday and Sunday nights will be in the upper teens to low 20s. "Monday will still be cloudy with some lingering snow," Carpenter said.

Post office buys land for parking

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The Postal Service has purchased a site for employee parking at the Provo Main Post Office, Postmaster Richard L. Woolums said.

The two parcel sites are located at 75 W. 100 S. and 185 S. 100 W. and were leased for the same use.

Postal pledge

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Kenneth R. Prentiss became the 29th postmaster of Salt Lake City Tuesday at a ceremony at the Main Post Office, 1760 W. 21st South. More than 250 postal employees and guests were on hand as Joseph R. Caraveo, regional postmaster general for the Western United States, gave Prentiss the oath of office. An 18-year veteran of the Postal Service and formerly postmaster of Colorado Springs, Colo., Prentiss will supervise the Salt Lake Division, which includes operations in Montana, most of Idaho, part of Oregon and Nevada. The division handles nearly 100 million pieces of mail a year.

NEWS CAPSULES

Postal Service to trim its work force by 1,000

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Postal Service is trimming its managerial and administrative work force by 1,000 people in a consolidation move the agency says won't affect mail service.

The merger of 37 management sectional centers and two field divisions into other operations takes effect Sept. 23 and is expected to save \$30 million to \$35 million a year, the service said Tuesday.

There will be no layoffs. Jobs will be eliminated through early retirements and other forms of attrition, postal officials said. Facilities that house the management centers and field divisions will continue their mail-handling operations.

In the Western Region the management sectional centers to be eliminated are: Pasadena, Redding and Marysville, Calif.; Pocatello, Idaho; Salem, Ore.; Fairbanks, Alaska; and Flagstaff, Ariz.